



Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact support@jstor.org.

ACTS OF THE EXECUTIV COUNCIL

I. In accordance with propositions of date January 8, 1913, *Voted*:

1. That the invitation of Harvard University to hold the next annual meeting under its auspices be accepted.
2. That the Tresurer be instructed to pay to Professor James F. Hosié \$21.10 for the expenses of the Committee on the Teaching of English Composition, a committee of the Central Division.
3. That the following distinguished foreign scholars be recommended for Honorary Membership in the Association:
 - Professor Gustav Roethe, University of Berlin.
 - Professor Edward Schroeder, University of Göttingen.
 - Professor Francesco Torraca, University of Naples.
 - Professor Francesco Flamini, University of Pisa.
 - Professor Abel Lefranc, Collège de France.
4. That until further orders the Secretary of the Central Division be paid an annual salary of \$100.

II. In accordance with a proposition of date August 6, 1913, *Voted*:

That the following letter be sent to the Honorable Oscar W. Underwood, M. C.:—

Dear Sir:—

The Modern Language Association of America, an organization of over eleven hundred school and college teachers, begs leave to enlist your aid in opposition to the proposed import duty of 15 per cent. *ad valorem* on books in foreign languages. We speak first for ourselves and our students, many of whom are poor men and women who can ill afford the increased cost of the tools by which they do their work. But most emphatically do we protest against a measure the damage of which to the country at large must far outweigh any possible advantage from the point of view of revenue. We hold that it is undemocratic and un-American to obstruct the importation of those means of enlightenment which the older civilizations of Continental Europe are still capable of giving us, not merely in the heritage from previous generations, but also through the productive scholarship and authorship of the present day.

The President of the Association has already written to you a personal letter of protest. The Association is now acting through its Executive Council because the apparent urgency of the business leaves no time for a general vote, which you may well believe would be unanimous.

Respectfully yours,

[The Executive Council]

[A similar letter was sent to the Honorable F. M. Simmons, U. S. Senate, and a copy of each to the President of the United States. The proposed tax was not enacted.]

III. In accordance with propositions of date October 2, 1913, *Voted*:

1. That the resignation of Professor Karl Young, Treasurer of the Association, to take effect January first, 1914, be accepted, with the thanks of the Association for his assiduous and productive service.

2. That Dr. Arthur F. Whitem, of Harvard University, be appointed Tresurer from January first, 1914, until the next Union Meeting.
3. That the offis of Tresurer's Agent be abolisht.
4. That the Association recommend to the Carnegie Institution of Washington the publication of Professor C. S. Northup's *Studies in the Legend of Philibert*.

W. G. HOWARD,
Secretary.